

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
4:30 PM, Thursday, December 17, 2020
Earle Mountain Room

Members present: Dan Coppelman, Peter Wade, Carolyn McPherson, Mary Shaw, Ed Casarella, Dave Hobbs, Jay Camp, Jerry Cerasale, Sheila Filipowski (via video conference)

Members absent: None

Staff present: Paul Lagg, Town Planner

The remote hearing was called to order at 4:30 pm.

FY22 applications – Ms. McPherson briefly presented the CDP Housing Institute application. Ms. Filipowski pointed out a typo in the budget, and Mr. Wade encouraged the committee members and members of the public to participate in the program. A motion (McPherson, Filipowski) to recommend the application be approved for \$7,500.00, carried 9-0.

Karen Strauss was present from the Open Space committee to the present the Sandy Meadow upgrades application. Ms. McPherson asked about the increased accessibility improvements, specifically if braille would be included on the signposts. Ms. Strauss responded braille was not currently included but she would be happy to look into additional accessibility enhancements. She agreed to return to the committee at a later date if she received quotes for braille installation or other improvements. A motion (Filipowski, Coppelman) to recommend the application be approved for \$7,130.00, carried 9-0.

Ms. Strauss additionally presented the Higgins Property pilot stewardship program application. The committee members discussed the budget and software to be used. Mr. Lagg explained the requested funds would be used to pay a developer to customize an application for which the Town already had a software license. A motion (McPherson, Wade) to recommend the application be approved for \$5,500.00, carried 9-0.

Mr. Casarella presented the Field of Dreams resurfacing application. He answered questions from the committee members regarding re-use of the existing wood chips, the depth of the poured rubber, and the quotes used for the budget. A motion (Cerasale, McPherson) to recommend the application be approved for \$58,300.00, carried 9-0.

Project statuses – Mr. Lagg announced the Field of Dreams landscaping would soon be completed and the Town would be going out to bid for dugouts. He passed on a message from Town Accountant Teena Tilton that state matching funds had been received.

Minutes – A motion (Cerasale, Shaw) to approve the minutes of November 24, 2020, carried 8-0-1 (Ms. Filipowski abstained).

Adjournment – A motion (Cerasale, McPherson) to adjourn, carried 9-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted as prepared by Debbie Cohen


Sheila Filipowski, Clerk